**Hamish X & the Cheese Factory**

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I’ve just finished reading the first chapter of a book written by Sean Cullen. The genre of this book is realistic fiction. The chapter introduces a man who owns a cheese factory, his name is Viggo Schmatts. The chapter starts off showing who he is. Viggo was a grumpy man who never liked kids. His cheese factory was really big and was built with big red bricks with a big metal entrance. His factory doesn’t have normal adults to work for him, but has orphanage kids to work for him to make cheese. The kids agree to work for Viggo because he gives money to kids worth working for.

I think the purpose of this book is to show that kids shouldn’t always be used to do work until it’s really late. The purpose of me reading this book is so I get the way of making a EXPLORE respose.

A key line worth remembering was “they sleep standing up” because once the kids are tired they don’t have bed and I also think it’s worth remembering because I know it’s a pain. Viggo was worth remembering because he was the first character to be introduced in chapter one and is the only character in chapter one. The cheese factory was also worth remembering because its a place that Viggo owns.

The organizational features I found in this chapter that did help me was the descriptions on the bottom of each page, because each time it would say a specific word in a paragraph the word would have a number beside it. Each word that had a number beside it, the bottom would show what the word would mean. What didn’t help me was the chapter heading. Once it would say a new chapter it would just say “Chapter One” with no description introducing what I was going to read about.

I can relate to the chapter because like Viggo he owned what he wanted as a kid and I had a dream that I owned the apple company in world and was the richest man. I would also give away money to people and owned at least 2 houses in each country.

My main question I had for this chapter was “Why didn’t the kids(workers) sleep on beds?” This was my main question because it made me think why Viggo couldn’t provide them beds or at least sleep on the floor with a mat. My other question was “What is it like having to sleep standing up?” I had this question because I know how bad it is having to sleep while standing but never experienced it. My Ah-ha moment was when I found out that kids work for Viggo instead of normal adult workers.